CHAPTER NO. 145

HOUSE BILL NO. 3270

By Representative Givens

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3224

By Senator Williams

AN ACT to provide for the number, election, and terms of members of the board of education of the Town of Rogersville, Tennessee, and to provide for duties, powers and qualifications of members of such board of education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The board of education of the Town of Rogersville shall consist of five (5) members elected at large by the qualified voters. Board members shall be elected to staggered four (4) year terms so that every two (2) years the terms of approximately one-half (1/2) the members of the board expire. Persons elected in the regular November election shall take office on January 1 following the election.

SECTION 2. To provide for staggered terms and in order that no term of any incumbent board member be cut short, board members shall be elected as follows: Board members to serve in seats 1 and 2, presently held by Dudley Cupp and R. Frank Testerman, shall be elected in the November 2002 election. Board members to serve in seats 3 and 4, presently held by Dan Brooks and Reed Matney, shall be elected in the November 2004 election. A board member to serve in seat 5, presently held by Joyce Simon, shall be elected in the November 2006 election.

- SECTION 3. The term of any present board member shall continue until a successor is elected and qualified or until a vacancy otherwise occurs.
- SECTION 4. The board of education of the Town of Rogersville shall have the same powers, duties, privileges and qualifications as other municipal boards of education established pursuant to Title 49.
- SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.
- SECTION 6. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Rogersville. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body of the Town of Rogersville and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 7. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 6.

PASSED: May 15, 2002

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 22nd day of May 2002

DON SUNDOUIST GOVERNOR